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Cocopah Tribe Regional Partnership Council

Director's Report

April 3, 2013

Regional Updates

- **School Readiness Indicators - Benchmarking:** Data sources (common Statewide) are identified and collection has begun. During the summer/fall, meetings and requests for Tribal approval will occur. Regional Benchmark recommendations will be recommended to the Board one year from now.
- **2012 Regional Annual Report:** The inaugural Cocopah Tribe Regional Annual Report is in development, and will be presented for Regional Council approval in May.
- **Vacancies:** Two seats remain vacant on the Regional Partnership Council: the Philanthropic Representative and the Early Childhood Educator. The application is available at www.azftf.gov/apply.
- **FY2013 Strategy Implementation Update:** The FY13 Financial Expenditures Report is attached to this report.
Home Visitation (Early Steps Program)- The Early Steps Specialist position is currently vacant.
Parent Outreach and Awareness (FTF Directed)- Cocopah Fun in the Sun Day (April 2013)
Quality First – Rating Only- Since the presentation was provided at the February 2013 Regional Council Meeting, the Head Start site has participated in their 3rd assessment and are awaiting the results.
- **FY2014 Funding Plan Implementation:** A timeline for funding FY14 strategies is attached to this report.

Upcoming Events- Regional Council Members are encouraged to attend the following events:

April 5th: Cocopah Fun in the Sun Day

- First Things First will be participating in this event and promoting reading to children.

April 9th: Grantee Coordination Meeting

- FTF Grantees throughout Yuma County will meet to discuss coordination and collaboration of services.

April 20th: Yuma Day of the Young Child, Yuma Heritage Library

- First Things First will be participating in this event organized by the Yuma chapter of the National Association of the Education of Young Children.

May 1st: Cocopah Tribe Regional Partnership Council Meeting

- The next Regional Partnership Council meeting will take place at 3:00pm on Wednesday, May 1st.